support member which is located off-center and to one side of said attachment orifice.

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70 31. The anchoring biscuit device of claim 30 wherein said attachment orifice has a bevelled top.

3/2. The anchoring biscuit device of claim 3/0 wherein said attachment orifice is non-circular and elongated.--

REMARKS

On appeal, the rejection of claims 18 through 29 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) was reversed, and the rejection of claims 27 through 29 under 35 U.S.C. 112 was affirmed. Therefore, claims 18 through 26 were allowed and remain in the case.

By the above amendments, claims 30 through 32, representing corrected versions of claims 27 through 29 overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112.

In view of the above, claims 18 through 26 and claims 30 through 32 are believed to be in condition for allowance, and an early and favorable response is earnestly solicited.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

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